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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Hagen ECK et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3714  
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Application No.: 10/623,140 ) Examiner: SAADAT, Cameron  
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Sir:

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowability and the Statement of Reasons for Allowance mailed on May 2, 2007. Without withdrawing the allowed claims from issue, Applicants submit these comments for the record.

In the Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner made characterizations and assertions about the allowed claims and the art of record. Although Applicants agree with the Examiner's ultimate conclusions that the claims are patentable, Applicants do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's statement and the characterizations and assertions therein.

Specifically, the Examiner paraphrased portions of the allowed claims stating in the Examiner's statement. Applicants respectfully submit that each of the allowed

claims is patentable based on the subject matter defined by the claim language and the combination of recitations within the claims, and not by the specific paraphrasing provided by the Examiner.

Furthermore, it is understood that the Examiner's characterizations were for purposes of referring to the prior art, and do not in any way imply that the claims are limited by words not actually present in the claims. Therefore, Applicants decline to subscribe to any statement or characterization contained in the Notice of Allowance and the accompanying Reasons for Allowance.

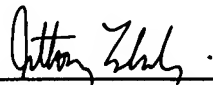
Should the Examiner disagree with Applicants' comments on the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to resolve such disagreement.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of these Comments, please charge the fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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